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1. The President has followed your messages from London with the greatest interest and has asked me to express to you his confidence and appreciation. I will take your DULTE 7, which has just arrived, to the White House tomorrow morning. 974.7301/8-156

2. I discussed the proposed Saudi visit with the President last evening and he concurred on the advisability of having Bob Anderson go out as soon as possible. He would, of course, welcome a Saudi visit after his return to Washington, but he did not want to have it going on during your London conference. Bob advises that he can probably leave on short notice and will give me a final answer tomorrow morning. We have a plane standing by.

4. Morton and Hill have been hard at work and the first draft out of their committee is not much different from the Bush draft. Malone and others have been threatening a floor fight on OTC and

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GATT. I have suggested that Knowland work out an acceptable compromise. The original draft paragraph leaves considerable room for re-working without harm.

5. My tentative plans are to leave here Sunday or Monday, returning Wednesday. On Tuesday Cabinet members will comment briefly on their respective parts of the platform after it has been approved by the Convention.

6. Before leaving Washington I would appreciate receiving a message from you that I can read at the appropriate time.

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